OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

the City Of August

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of "Student Literacy"

WHEREAS, on the 11th day of May 2005, a Student Literacy Day was established by the Curriculum Department of the Richmond County Board of Education and Voyager Universal Literacy, containing, among achieving the system's priority of improving reading comprehension in pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade and across all curriculum by utilizing scientifically researched strategies to teach: vocabulary, comprehension, and writing to inform, the following to wit; and

WHEREAS, schools will implement its reading program to achieve what research says is possible, "for 90-95 percent of children to become successful readers"; and

WHEREAS, the district, school leaders, and through the VoyagerU division, a division that has undergone rigorous, systematic, and objective evaluation, teachers will continue to receive professional development in research-based reading instruction; and

WHEREAS, from this day forward, our district's priority of improving reading through scientifically researched strategies will continue to be met through alignment with national, state, and district standards and through using data to improve instruction; and

WHEREAS, and by virtue of the power and for the purpose of improving student achievement; I do order and declare that all persons in the District of Richmond County Board of Education should work collaboratively to sustain the success of our reading priority, reading program, but most importantly our students.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2005, to be "STUDENT LITERACY DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 11th day of May 2005.